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PROGRAM RECORDED MEDIUM ON WHICH THE  
METHOD IS RECORDED

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Prior to examination, please amend the above application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 17, lines 13 - 15 with:

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CONCL.

The STB 400 includes a tuner 410. The D-VHS 100 includes a VCR 100 and a tuner 120. The TV 200 has a monitor 210. The tuner 410, VCR 110, tuner 120, and monitor 210 are controlled as subunits.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 17, lines 23 to Page 18, line 1  
with:

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In this state, an AV signal sent out from the STB 400 is issued to the D-VHS 100 and TV 200 as isochronous data via a channel of the IEEE1394 bus 300. In the monitor 210 of the TV 200, the AV signal received in the tuner 410 of the STB 400 through a satellite broadcast reception antenna 420 is displayed